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C O N F I D E N T I A L ATHENS 4115

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TAGS: ASEC AFSP MILI OGEN GR  
SUBJECT: CASE OF MSG TELESFORE SANCHEZ  
REF: STATE 129748

1. FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF REFTEL DCM DISCUSSED STATUS OF  
SANCHEZ CASE WITH MFA'S DIRGEN JOHN TZOUNIS,  
EMPHASIZING TO HIM IMPORTANCE OF RESOLVING DIFFERENCES  
WITH JUSTICE MINISTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO ASSURE SPEEDY  
TRIAL FOR SANCHEZ TO ENSURE JUSTICE AND SAFEGUARD HIS  
CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.

2. TZOUNIS REPLIED THAT MFA HAD DRAFTED A NOTE TO EMBASSY  
CONCURRING IN OUR INTENTION TO HOLD COURT MARTIAL ON GREEK SOIL.  
JUSTICE MINISTRY HAD PROVIDED ORAL CLEARANCE OF MFA NOTE BUT  
BEFORE SIGNING IT FONMIN BITSIOS WISHED TO OBTAIN JUSTICE  
MINISTRY'S CONCURRENCE IN WRITING. TZOUNIS EXPECTED TO RE-  
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CEIVE THIS WITHIN A FEW DAYS AND SAID HE WOULD MAKE EVERY

EFFORT TO DELIVER SIGNED NOTE TO US NEXT WEEK. DCM THANKED TZOUNIS AND EXPRESSED STRONG HOPE THAT GOG'S CONCURRENCE WOULD NOT BE FURTHER DELAYED. HE STRESSED THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO PROCEED WITH COURT MARTIAL BY JUN 12 OR VERY SOON THEREAFTER. TZOUNIS REPEATED THAT HE WOULD DO HIS BEST AND AGREED WITH DCM THAT IT WAS IN INTEREST OF BOTH GOG AND US TO DISPOSE OF JURISDICTIONAL ASPECTS OF SANCHEZ CASE RAPIDLY AND PERMIT MILITARY JUSTICE TO TAKE ITS COURSE.

3. COMMENT: WE JUDGE FROM REMARKS OF TZOUNIS THAT SANCHEZ CASE MAY BE ON THE TRACKS AND ARE INFORMALLY ADVISING US MILITARY LEGAL AUTHORITIES IN ATHENS TO MAKE NECESSARY PREPARATIONS TO CONVENE TRIAL AS SOON AS NOTE RECEIVED.  
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